


Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown below.

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1. (previously amended): A thermoplastic resin composition comprising a thermoplastic resin between 3 and 400% by weight of filler based on the weight of the resin, said filler comprising talc and microsilica where the weight ratio between talc and microsilica is between 15:1 and 1:15.

2. (previously amended): The thermoplastic resin composition according to claim 1 wherein the weight ratio of talc and microsilica is between 6:1 and 1:5.

 3. (previously amended): A method for production of a thermoplastic resin composition comprising adding talc and microsilica to a thermoplastic resin in a total amount between 3 and 400% by weight based on the weight of thermoplastic resin and where the weight ratio between talc and microsilica is kept between 15:1 and 1:15, whereafter the mixture is formed into a thermoplastic resin composition.

4. (previously amended): The method according to claim 3 wherein the talc and microsilica are added to the thermoplastic resin as a mixture of talc and microsilica.

5. (previously amended): The method according to claim 3 wherein the talc and microsilica are added separately to the thermoplastic resin.

6. (currently amended): A filler blend for use in thermoplastic resin compositions ~~comprising~~ consists essentially of talc and microsilica in a weight ratio between 15:1 and 1:15.

7. (currently amended): The filler blend according to claim 6 wherein the filler blend ~~contains~~ consists essentially of talc and microsilica in a weight ratio between 6:1 and 1:5.

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8. (previously added): The thermoplastic resin composition according to claim 1 wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefines, polyvinylchloride and polyamides.

9. (previously added): The method according to claim 3 wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefines, polyvinylchloride and polyamides.


10. (previously added): The method according to claim 3 wherein the weight ratio of talc and microsilica is between 6:1 and 1:5.

11. (previously added): The thermoplastic resin composition according to claim 8 wherein the weight ratio of talc and microsilica is between 6:1 and 1:5.

12. (previously added): The method according to claim 9 wherein the talc and microsilica are added to the thermoplastic resin as a mixture of talc and microsilica.

13. (previously added): The method according to claim 9 wherein the talc and microsilica are added separately to the thermoplastic resin.

14. (previously added): A method for production of a thermoplastic resin product comprising:

 adding talc and microsilica to a thermoplastic resin in a total amount between 3 and 400% by weight based on the weight of thermoplastic resin and where the weight ratio between talc and microsilica is kept between 15:1 and 1:15 to form a mix; and

compounding said mix to form a thermoplastic resin product.

15. (previously added): The method according to claim 14 wherein the compounding is selected from the group consisting of extruding, calendering, and injection molding.

16. (previously added): The method according to claim 14 wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefines, polyvinylchloride, and polyamides.

17. (previously added): The method according to claim 14 wherein the talc and microsilica are added to the thermoplastic resin as a mixture of talc and microsilica.

18. (previously added): The method according to claim 14 wherein the talc and microsilica are added separately to the thermoplastic resin.

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(mod)* 19. (previously added): The method according to claim 14 wherein the weight ratio of talc and microsilica is between 6:1 and 1:5.

20. (previously added): The method of claim 16 wherein:  
compounding is extruding;  
the talc and microsilica are added to the thermoplastic resin as a mixture; and  
the weight ratio of talc and microsilica is between 6:1 and 1:5.

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